Date: Thu, 13 May 2010 09:38:35 -0500

Subject: Re: E discovery/united central bank v kanan/Kanan ESI - data map

From: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
To: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>

Cc: Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>, "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-

law.com>

Eric,

Currently First Midwest is working with Associated Bank (From whom we have leased the computers residing at the warehouse) to resolve the matter between them. The computers are still at the warehouse. I will update you today or tomorrow after getting more details.

Paresh

On Thu, May 13, 2010 at 9:07 AM, Eric Grossman <<mailto:egrossman@bbn-law.com>egrossman@bbn-law.com> wrote:

Paresh:

Where do we stand on this? Our best course of action is to have a completed data map to show the Court on the 19th, especially given that as per my letter to Vilia we have pointed out the adverse effect from UCB's refusal to provide a data map.

If we are to have any kind of complete or near complete data map, we need to have control of the server immediately so that Matt can come down and generate content information.

Let me know.

Eric

on 5/11/10 9:23 AM, Eric Grossman at <mailto:egrossman@bbn-law.com>egrossman@bbn-law.com wrote:

Paresh:

FSRDG has completed data mapping the personal computers and servers located at the Oak Brook offices. What is the status on item 1 from my 4/26 email below:

>> 1. You are to transport from the warehouse, the sever located there, as well as any other personal computers. All are to be brought to the Oak Brook office and placed in a secure room.



Date: Fri, 21 May 2010 17:44:56 -0500

Subject: RE: united central bank v kanan/Judge Mason's order of

5-20-10/Kanan Custodians/Data Map

Vilia:

Please see the attached first iteration of Kanan's data map (CustodianAccounts.pdf, Software Installed.pdf and ServersIdentified.pdf) and the list of Kanan custodians (Custodians.pdf).

Eric

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Date: Tue, 25 May 2010 11:15:40 -0500

Subject: Re: E discovery/united central bank v kanan/Kanan ESI - data

map/creative warehousing server

Paresh:

Yesterday in our telephone call you indicated that you are still working on getting control of the warehouse server. This must be accomplished. We cannot afford further delay.

When we discussed this a month ago on 4/26 (see below), you did not indicate there were any issues in getting control and you said you would be transporting the server from the warehouse. In fact, Vilia had raised the issue on April 14 that "Finally, my client has heard that there are third-parties who claim to have a secured interest in Creative Warehousing/Kanan Fashions computer system and intend to seek repossession of it. Please advise if this is the case and what steps Kanan Fashions intends to take to preserve the computer system and/or electronic data while this lawsuit is pending." I asked you about this on 4/16 and your response was that you were "not aware of any suit or notice about possession." Please see the attached email. I subsequently informed Vilia there were no issues.

Now that we have produced on 5/19 the first iteration of the data map, Vilia has asked whether this includes Creative Warehousing. It of course does not as the Warehouse server has not been made available for review. I can only respond at this point to Vilia that "The server at the Warehouse is not yet included in the Data Map, but will be included with the next iteration which we anticipate we will have in the next week or two."

One way or another we have to have information about the server and as soon as possible. But one of two things must happen, either get control of the server, or have a copy of the server contents made by the IT person that will be hired. If the latter, let's discuss the proper process.

Please advise.

Thank you.

Eric

Eric Grossman Bailey Borlack Nadelhoffer LLC EXHIBIT 43.

Date: Thu, 27 May 2010 13:55:57 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank/Ray Fugiel/ESI From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
CC: Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>,

"Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Paresh:

In confirmation of our conference call yesterday with you, Ray Fugiel and Bill Spernow, the following matters were discussed and action items (underlined) are as noted. If I got anything wrong or I overlooked anything, please let me know.

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- 6. Warehouse IT systems.
- a. I again asked you about the status of obtaining control of the warehouse server or a copy of its contents. You indicated you were working on it and should know more today. Please advise.
- b. Bill asked about the warehouse IT systems in general. You indicated that except for the server, all personal computers from the warehouse had been moved to Oak Brook and were part of the computer inventory Matt Denecke tool when he was on-site on May 3. Bill asked whether we are able to identify those computers specifically, and Ray responded that it would not be possible because they are mixed together with the other computers, and as noted in 5.b above, no record or log was kept as to what computers were moved where, or where computers were located, or what users used any specific computer.

- c. The warehouse had its own T1 line, firewall and switching router, and there was no other router that would change configurations.
- d. There was a vpn from the warehouse to Oak Brook, and the contracting company that did the exchange and back up system set up the vpn.

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I think this covers it, but again, let me know if there is anything wrong or overlooked.

Eric

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Date: Wed, 02 Jun 2010 10:11:15 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank/Ray Fugiel/Kanan ESI

From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
CC: Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>,

"Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Paresh:

Please advise as to status on the following action items from the below (now bolded). My additional notes are in red.

Eric

on 5/27/10 1:55 PM, Eric Grossman at egrossman@bbn-law.com wrote:

Paresh:

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- 6. Warehouse IT systems.
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Date: Fri, 04 Jun 2010 14:59:14 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank/Ray Fugiel/Kanan ESI

From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
CC: Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>,

"Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Paresh:

Yesterday at your office we discussed the items below - now in blue:

Eric

on 6/2/10 10:21 AM, Paresh Joshi at pjoshi@kanangroup.com wrote:

Eric,

I will address the listed items during the later part of the day once I reach office.

Paresh

On Wed, Jun 2, 2010 at 10:11 AM, Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com> wrote:

Paresh:

Please advise as to status on the following action items from the below (now bolded). My additional notes are in red.

Eric

on 5/27/10 1:55 PM, Eric Grossman at egrossman@bbn-law.com wrote:

Paresh:





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- b. Bill asked about the warehouse IT systems in general. You indicated that except for the server, all personal computers from the warehouse had been moved to Oak Brook and were part of the computer inventory Matt Denecke tool when he was on-site on May 3. Bill asked whether we are able to identify those computers specifically, and Ray responded that it would not be possible because they are mixed together with the other computers,

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Date: Wed, 07 Jul 2010 14:01:44 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank v kanan/ray/esi/Kanan systems

From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
CC: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>,

Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>, Daniel Garrie <dgarrie@fsrdq.com>

Paresh:

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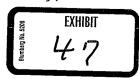
Finally, as you know, access to/possession of the warehouse server remains an issue. Lou must be provided with access to the warehouse server, so that we can be informed about its configuration and contents. Please address this component with Lou immediately and keep me posted.

Thanks

Eric

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Date: Fri, 23 Jul 2010 09:35:17 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank v kanan/ray/esi/Kanan systems

From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
CC: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>,

Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>, Daniel Garrie <dgarrie@fsrdq.com>

Paresh:

In response to your vm to me last night concerning whether Lou has further work to accomplish and needs continue on-site full time, I spoke to Lou this morning and he will be in today to have you sign his time sheet. Otherwise, I think he will be able to step back a bit as it is my understanding that Lou has completed the following:

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10. Has provided information needed for the response to VILLA S //14/10 letter, but as noted below, I cannot complete the response until the warehouse server is made available for review and analysis.

Lou has some remaining tasks and he should be able to complete this over the course of the next week (but as noted in item #3 below, he needs warehouse server access):

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3. Warehouse ESI systems review, including any servers located there.



When will this be made available? I have continuously raised this issue beginning nearly 3 months ago on April 26 (see the attached email threads) and there has been no progress. Lou also tells me that he has asked you when he will be able obtain access and your last information was that Mehul was going to address this when he returned from overseas this week on Monday. We simply must have access immediately and cannot afford further delay. PLEASE ADDRESS THIS IMMEDIATELY AND LET ME KNOW!!!

Eric

on 7/7/10 2:01 PM, Eric Grossman at egrossman@bbn-law.com wrote:

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Date: Fri, 23 Jul 2010 10:45:10 -0500

Subject: Re: united central bank v kanan/ray/esi/Kanan systems

From: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>
To: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>

Cc: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>, Mehul Shah

<mshah@kanangroup.com>,

Daniel Garrie <dgarrie@fsrdg.com>

Eric.

Thanks for the recap.

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I do not have any updates on the warehouse issue. Mehul was to arrive on Monday but then he was delayed. Will keep you posted as soon as I know more.

Paresh

On Fri, Jul 23, 2010 at 9:35 AM, Eric Grossman <<mailto:egrossman@bbn-law.com>egrossman@bbn-law.com> wrote:

Paresh:

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August 4, 2010

Mr. Mehul Shah 17 W. 220 22nd St., Suite 220 Oak Brook Terrace, IL 60181-4477

Re: United Central Bank v. Kanan Fashions, Inc., et. al.; Kanan ESI

Dear Mehul:

There are some serious matters concerning Kanan's IT systems that require your and Paresh's immediate attention. As you know, the Court on May 19, 2010 ordered us to retain a replacement for Ray Fugiel. Kanan then used Robert Half International to provide a contractor, and on June 24, 2010, Kanan retained Lou Smalley. Lou has been on site and has accomplished quite a bit, as detailed in Eric's July 23, 2010 email to Paresh, cc to you (copy attached). But there are still some outstanding items that must be resolved as follows:

Warehouse Server

Since April 26, 2010, we have advised that we must have access to the Warehouse server, but there has been no access. Please see Eric's July 23, 2010 email as well as the attached email threads indicating that the issue was raised April 26, April 28, May 11, May 13, May 27, June 2, June 4, July 7 and July 23. If we are not provided with access to the warehouse server then we are unable to complete data mapping of Kanan's ESI systems, much less provide any ESI



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that evidences Kanan inventory. In fact, we are due to go back to Court on August 26 with ESI liaisons and you can be sure that if this issue is not closed out by that time (meaning that we have had access and sufficient time to review the state of that system), then opposing counsel will be sure to leverage this issue against us. It is likely that opposing counsel will use this to support its fraud claim, and may raise an evidence spoliation claim. I cannot stress enough that we must, absolutely must, be provided with access to the warehouse server as soon as possible.



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Thank you and we look forward to your prompt response.

Very truly yours

Alan R. Borlack

cc: Mr. Eric G. Grossman

Date: Thu, 5 Aug 2010 14:42:00 -0500

To: "Eric G. Grossman" <egrossman@bbn-law.com>From: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>Subject: united central bank v kanan/servers

Cc: Bcc:

X-Attachments:

This is how I understand today's conversation with Mehul. First Midwest will not give him access to the servers at the warehouse because Associated has a lien on them. Associated originally would not allow Mehul access except if he paid \$300K+ but now have said of if he pays \$60K. (I presume this is for a sale of the servers back to Mehul.) Mehul has said fine, but he needs time to get the money. He has a call into Dave Clark today,

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Date: Fri, 13 Aug 2010 16:44:31 -0500

Subject: Re: UCB v.Kanan/Kanan ESI/warehuose server/email/back up

tapes/Digitsal Reef

From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>

To: Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>,

Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com> CC: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Mehul - Paresh:

We are due to go before the Court on August 26 with ESI Liaisons to update the Court on ESI discovery efforts, and per the Court's Order today, are to provide a Joint Status Report on August 24. There are three matters of primary importance:

1. Status of access to the Warehouse servers. Please provide an update. When Mehul, Alan and I spoke on August 5, Mehul stated that First Midwest will not allow access to the servers at the warehouse because Associated has a lien on them. Associated originally would not allow access except if \$300K+ was paid, but now appears willing to accept \$60K to release liens. Mehul said this is agreeable, but the funds need to be raised. Mehul had call into Dave Clark to discuss.

The bottom line here is that if we haven't obtained access in advance of the August 24 JSR due date, we will have to report this issue as part of the JSR. Indeed, we already owe UCB information about the Warehouse servers, and have delayed response to UCB while we await resolution of this issue. Please advise as to status.

As you know, we hired Lou Smalley as the IT replacement for Ray. His work is mostly accomplished, but if/when the warehouse servers become available, he will be immediately tasked with review of that ESI component.





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Date: Tue, 17 Aug 2010 16:05:47 -0500

Subject: FW: Kanan ESI

Mehul -Paresh:

The below request from Vilia for additional information makes my 8/13 email (attached) re: the warehouse server and the Digital Reef proposal all the more critical. Please review that email and respond.

I additionally attach my proposed responses to Vilia's 7/14 letter that I sent to Paresh on 7/25 and 8/3 for review. Response to Vilia on these items as well as the below is now critical and must be completed by the end of the week. Paresh informed me last week that he had unsuccessfully attempted to reach Ray to discuss the items flagged in the 7/25 email that only Ray would know about, so now I think we have to acknowledge that fact Ray is not available to us to answer questions that only he would know.

So please see the attached Word document which revises some of the proposed answers. Alan may have some comments on these as well. Paresh - Mehul, please review this in its entirety, Paresh, there are particular items in blue for your particular attention (questions 12, 16, 20, and 24 - 27).

Perhaps youi and I should review each question and the proposed answer. Again, Alan may have some comments as well. Are you available on Thursday morning?

Eric

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From: "Vilia M. Dedinas" <VDedinas@boodlaw.com>

Date: Tue, 17 Aug 2010 09:53:10 -0500

To: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
Cc: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Subject: Kanan ESI

Dear Eric -

I have not received any information from you regarding the letter I sent on July 14th, inquiring about Kanan defendants ESI systems. As you can imagine, it is impossible for us to formulate and finalize ESI requests and search terms without knowing the structure of your systems is and what is available. When do you think you can respond? If you want to do this in a

meeting, please let me know so I can have David Aberman available as well.

Some additional questions I would like you to address are:

- What e-mail addresses were used by the defendant entities? Did everything go to @kanangroup.com, or were different domains such as @kanancruises used? If so, what were they? This affects the searches we will ask for.
- At any time were kanan emails forwarded to a raven email domain? If so, when and to what domain?
- Did any of the Kanan entities use employees or contractors who did not use the kanan server or domain for email? For example, we have seen emails to Dennis Lapin at an aol.com address, and he appears to be an employee, contractor or some sort of agent.
- Were communications by the Kanan entities in English or were other languages used? If so, what languages and/or dialects? This too, will affect search terms we select.

You recently advised me that your emails are available for searching and production. We believe that all business of the Kanan entities after July 31, 2009 was most likely focused on (a) seeking renewal of the loans; (b) attempting to draw on existing financing; (c) attempts to obtain alternative financing; (c) mitigation of damages; (d) liquidation of collateral, (e) winding up of the businesses. These all relate to the key issues in your counterclaims. Accordingly, we would request production of all email from the key custodians from July 31, 2009 to the present. I stress the present because it is our belief that Kanan Cruises is still operating. If that is not correct, please advise.

Obviously, the above is dependent in part on the size of the database that I am requesting. If it reasonable, I think that a production of all said emails is relevant and easiest to produce. If the size is unmanageable, we will make further efforts to generate search terms. We are, however, working on search terms for emails and ESI for an earlier timeframe.

Please advise when you will have the information from my July 14th letter, and when we can confer regarding other discovery issues so that we can file the joint status report on July 24th.

I will be out of the office on Weds and Thursday, July 18 and 19, but can turn my attention to these matters on Friday or Monday, July 20 and 23.

Vilia

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CC: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Message-ID: <C88B26F2.17C2C%egrossman@bbn-law.com>

Date: Thu, 19 Aug 2010 16:56:19 -0500

Subject: Re: Kanan ESI/united central bank v kanan/mehul and paresh

attendance at 8/26 status before judge mason
From: Eric Grossman <egrossman@bbn-law.com>
To: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Alan:

During our conference call with Paresh this afternoon, we inquired as to the status of Mehul's efforts to obtain access to and/or control of the warehouse server. Paresh indicated that Mehul was still working on obtaining the funds that Associated wants in order to release its lien. Paresh said that he mentions this to Mehul on practically a daily basis, but Paresh was not able to provide any indication of when the issue might be resolved. We again stressed the necessity of access and informed Paresh that our failure to be able to access the warehouse server would be seen in a very unfavorable light by Judge Mason and that there would be hell to pay. You stated to Paresh that he and Mehul must attend the 8/26 conference to be available for first-hand statements about warehouse server issue, and so that the Judge could see that we are not hiding from ESI investigations. Paresh said he understood and would inform Mehul accordingly.

Eric

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Date: Fri, 20 Aug 2010 10:51:01 -0500

To: Paresh Joshi <pjoshi@kanangroup.com>, Mehul Shah <mshah@kanangroup.com>

From: "Alan R. Borlack" <aborlack@bbn-law.com>

Subject: United Central Bank v Kanan/ESI/8-26-10 ESI status hearing

Cc: Jim Flesch <JAFlesch@lawggf.com>, "Donald E. Glickman"

<dglickman@lawggf.com>, "Eric G. Grossman" <egrossman@bbn-law.com>

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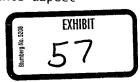
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10 actually have that are active files. So on the back-up tapes are 1 2 just copies of the files we already had, which is in the list we sent them of all the, the catalog on May 28th, it listed them 3 And we then collected the files and the e-mails and have 4 put them on a drive and have, with regard to the server at the 5 warehouse, I haven't been directly involved beyond working with 6 7 counsel. 8 Let me go back one step. You put them on a THE COURT: 9 tape? 10 MR. GARY: No, on a separate drive. 11 THE COURT: All right. And what did you do with that? 12 MR. GARY: Counsel -- gave them to counsel. 13 THE COURT: You gave them to whom? 14 To Counsel Grossman. MR. GARY: 15 MR. GROSSMAN: They are at the Oak Brook office. They 16 will be shipped to Digital Reef. 17 THE COURT: Okay. So they're still in your possession. 18 MR. GROSSMAN: They are in our possession. 19 THE COURT: This is what I'm trying to find out, okay? 20 Go ahead now. And when are they going to be shipped? 21 Monday, your Honor. MR. GROSSMAN: 22 THE COURT: All right. 23 MR. GARY: And with regard to the warehouse server, I have informed counsel and they have been working on it, getting 24 25 access to that server. We simply don't have access.

11 informed Counsel Grossman of this. And that's where that stands. I can't speak to anything with regard to that. 2 3 THE COURT: And can you tell me why you don't have access? 5 I defer to counsel. I don't know. MR. GARY: 6 THE COURT: All right. 7 MR. BORLACK: This particular server is in the 8 That was foreclosed upon by First Midwest Bank. warehouse. 9 THE COURT: And this was done back in March? 10 Yes. And I can't verify a particular MR. BORLACK: Maybe counsel has a date, but I thought they had spoken 11 with them. 12 Maybe I'm wrong. In any event, there is a lien on the server, not by 13 First Midwest Bank, by Associated Bank, which I think is the 14 seller. We have been, my client Mr. Shaw, has been negotiating 15 16 to purchase it back from Associated Bank. 17 THE COURT: Since when? 18 MR. BORLACK: For months. He was out of the country, however, in July. We understand that in August, I believe on or 19 about August 9th, Mr. Shaw was able to send an e-mail saying we 20 now have, we think we have a deal. We have a purchase price we 21 can agree to in principle. But we haven't heard back from them. 22 23 THE COURT: That's since August 9th? 24 August 9th, sir. And Mr. Shaw advised us MR. BORLACK: he has called again and, several times, and he has not been able 25

to receive anything other than a voice mail. It may be that somebody is on vacation. We tried again yesterday.

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Any questions about that? I want a chronology from both sides as to what's been going on here.

MS. DEDINAS: Your Honor, may I clarify?

THE COURT: Sure.

MS. DEDINAS: Is this chronology regarding --

THE COURT: Everything that has gone on since you have been coming in here telling me that you can't get this and you can't get that. I want to know what conversations you have had with them. I want a regular diary from both sides.

MS. DEDINAS: I'm sorry, but I don't --

THE COURT: Go right ahead and ask.

MS. DEDINAS: I don't know that there is any issue with respect to the bank's production.

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